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SUBJECT: GOG SEEKS BETTER RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBORS

1. FONMIN WILLIS, HAVING TO HIS MIND SUCCESSFULLY TRIED HIS HAND AT MENDING SOME FENCES WITH BRAZIL LAST JULY, IS NOW TURNING HIS ATTENTION TO GUYANA'S OTHER NEIGHBORS, VENEZUELA AND SURINAM. THE MINISTER, IN AN INTERVIEW SEPTEMBER 2, ANNOUNCED HIS INTENTION OF MAKING AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO VENEZUELA IN NOVEMBER "AS PART OF THE GOVT'S EFFORTS AT STRENGTHENING RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES". HE ALSO NOTED THAT ATTEMPTS WERE BEING MADE TO HOLD AN OFFICIAL MEETING BETWEEN GUYANA'S PM BURNHAM AND SURINAM'S HENCK AARON, AND TO REVIVE THE GUYANA-SURINAM COMMISSION.

2. COMMENT: THE FEAR OF FOREIGN INTERFERENCE STILL PREOCCUPIES GOG LEADERS, ALTHOUGH RECENTLY THEIR CHARGES OF DESTABILIZATION HAVE DECREASED SLIGHTLY. THEIR MEETINGS WITH NEIGHBORING GOVT'S SHOULD DOMORE TO REDUCE THEIR FEARS THAN DID THEIR MUCH-PUBLICIZED ALLEGATIONS OF DESTABILIZATION.

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